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Amendment After Final

Sir:

In response to the Final Rejection mailed <u>June 15, 2006</u>, for which the three month statutory period for reply is set to expire on <u>September 15, 2008</u>, Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments and consideration of the accompanying remarks.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.